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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein mailed 4 October 2000, time for response to which was set to expire 3 November 2000. A petition for an extension of time of one month until 3 December 2000 is attached hereto, along with the required fee. A change of address is also enclosed herewith. Restriction and an election of species were required.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-12, without traverse.

Please cancel claims 13-20.

As to an election of species, applicants are uncertain as to exactly what is being requested. It appears that all of the formulas 1-5 in claim 1 will be examined and it appears that

applicants are being asked to select embodiments for β^1 and β^2 from a list provided by the Office. If that is, indeed, the case, applicants hereby elect the embodiments wherein β^1 and β^2 confer FSH agonist activity. Thus, the claims which read on the elected species would be claims 1-2, 5, 6, 10, 11 and 12.


Applicants understand that with respect to the election of species, the election serves merely as a guide for examination and should the species examined initially be found patentable, generic claims and additional species will also be examined.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 295002005900. However, the Assistant Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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